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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

Alexey Stepanov,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Michael Chertoff, Secretary, Department of

Homeland Security, et al.

Defendants.

Case No.: C 07-02492 RS

**CONSENT TO PROCEED BEFORE A
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

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In accordance with the provisions of Title 28, U.S.C. Section 636©, the undersigned party hereby voluntarily consents to have a United States Magistrate Judge conduct any and all further proceedings in the case, including trial, and order the entry of a final judgment. Appeal from the judgment shall be taken directly to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

Dated: 05/16/2007

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Signature

Counsel for Plaintiff
(Plaintiff, Defendant, or indicate "pro se")

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